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CHAIRS OF PIARC TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Mexico Congress 2011. Call for papers

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

According to the time-table in the Congress Handbook, which is available from the PIARC website in the members area, in the folder Mexico 2011, http://private.piarc.org/en/piarc_congresses/mexico_2011.htm, the text for the call for individual papers will be sent out in **April 2010**, following review by the Strategic Planning Commission and Executive Committee at their meeting on **February 10 and 11, 2010**.

I invite you to send the General Secretariat the attached form, **before the end of January 2010**.

For the Mexico Congress, there is an important change with respect to the previous congresses. **The PIARC Prizes will be awarded among the individual papers selected by the Technical Committees for publication**. There will not be a separate call for the PIARC Prizes.

The Technical Committees will be invited to submit their nominations for the PIARC Prizes to the International Jury among the papers they received in response to the call made by the TC.

In this way we hope this will encourage more responses to the call for individual papers and it will provide a broader group of good papers for awarding the prizes.

A brief presenting the process for the PIARC Prize Competition will be issued in the first quarter of 2010. It will be sent to the First delegates, the PIARC National Committees and the Technical Committees.

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We wish all Technical Committees make a call for individual papers according to the following indications:

- the call for papers must be very well focused and must aim at enriching the thoughts and work undertaken by your TC on some of the assigned issues;
- because of the limited time allocated to each TC, only a few select papers will be given the opportunity of an oral presentation. Hence the results of this call for papers must be integrated in the general reports presented during your session. However, the programme of the congress will allow each author of a selected paper to make a presentation.

The General Secretariat will provide an electronic, on-line system on the PIARC website for the consultation, review and management of the proposed papers. I invite you to have a look at the Congress Handbook for the information regarding the deadlines for the reception and review of the papers.

If your TC is holding a meeting before 31st January 2010, please put this matter on the agenda of your TC meeting. Otherwise I invite you to proceed by correspondence in order to involve all TC members, in particular the group leaders. Please provide the text in French and English.

I thank you for abiding by the deadline of **31st January 2010**, to allow the Strategic Planning Commission and the Executive Committee to review your proposal in February.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Corté', is written over a large, stylized, hand-drawn signature mark that resembles a triangle or a large 'X'.

Jean-François Corté
Secretary General

Att. Form for the call for papers for the Paris 2007 Congress

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